(ख) और (ग) 1991-92 के दौरान 10 कृषि सेवा केन्द्रों की स्थापना करने के लिए एक केन्द्र प्रायोजित योजना ---------"कृषक कृषि सेवा केन्द्रों की स्थापना एवं सुदृढ़ीकरण"- के अंतर्गत राज्य सरकारों को केन्द्रीय हिस्से के रूप में 15 लाख रुपए की धनराशि जारी की गयी है। बहरहाल राज्य सरकारों ने इस योजना को क्रियान्वित नहीं किया है।

राष्ट्रीय विकास परिषद के निर्णय के अनुसार इस योजना को अप्रैल, 1992 से राज्यों के पास अंतरित कर दिया गया है।

PRICE OF DAP FERTILIZER

3310. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that sale price of indigenous DAP fertilizers has been fixed at Rs. 332|- per bag and Government is giving subsidy on it and that it is a controlled item ;

(b) whether it is a fact that imported DAP is a decontrolled item and is being sold at market rate which is higher than Rs. 332/-;

(c) whether it is a fact that certain unscrupulous and corrupt elements, even in Government agencies, are manipulating the sale of indigenous DAP much higher than Rs. 332|- per bag taking advantage of prevailing of two prices and ignorance of farmers; and

(d) if so, what steps Government are taking to check this malpractice ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) and (b) The price, distribution and movement control on indigenous as well as imported DAP has been lifter w.e.f. 25-8-92 Hence, there is no question of fixing their prices. However, the Government is giving a concession of Rs. 1000|- per tonne on the sale of indigenous DAP to the farmers in order to make it competitive with the imported DAP.

(c) and (d) No reports have been received about manipulating the sale price of indigenous DAP.

DE-CENTRALISATION OF THE ICAR

3311. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state

(a) whether Government propose to decentralise the Indian Council of Agricultural Research;

(b) wheher it is a fact that regional and needs specific to a particular State do not receive full and prompt attention from the ICAR;

(c) what steps Government propose to take to ensure that the ICAR becomes more viable and active at State-level; and

(d) the details of any achievements in research pertaining to Andhra Pradesh by ICAR in 1991-92 and 1992-93 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) No Sir.

(b) No Sir.

(c) For each of the 126 agro-climatic zones, a zonal research station has been established with the support of the ICAR. 183 Krishi Vigyan Kendra have also been established in the districts for training of farmers and farm women in new technologies State Agricultural Universities and ICAR have been visible at the fore-front of agricultural movement in the country.

(d) During 1991-92 and 92-93 certain important varieties have been released in Rice, Maize, Jowar, Bajra, Small Millets,